

REMARKS

Claims 34 and 43 have been amended. Claims 33-44 are pending in the present application. Claims 34 and 43 have been amended according to the Examiner's proposal.

Double Patenting Rejection:

The Examiner rejected claims 33-44 under the judicial created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 3-5, and 9-16 of U.S. Patent No. 6,274,106 B1. Applicant submits a terminal disclaimer to overcome this rejection.

CONCLUSION

The application as defined in the pending claims is patentable. Therefore, applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection and allowance of all pending claims.

Applicants do not believe that any other fees are due at this time; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to this document, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct the fees from Deposit Account No. 02-0383, (*formerly Baker & Botts, L.L.P.*) Order Number 070255.0601.

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